

I support media diversity

I am writing to you today to comment on Docket No. 02-277, The Biennial Review of the FCC's broadcast media ownership rules.

Reporting of news necessary for good democracy is already problematic. Relaxing rules on media ownership will make it worse. A case in point is that during the Iraq war, congress used the media's war coverage as as a cloak to hide from the public, movement on several peices of distastful legislation, including the environment, gun control, and even benefits for vetrans. "De-regualting" the communications industry wil only create monopolies. Our Adminsitration will then only need to start another war in order to move whatever unpopular legislation it wants and keep it far from the eyes of the voters.

With the serious impact these rule changes will have on our democracy, it is incumbent on the Commission to take the time to review these issues more thoroughly and allow the American people to have a meaningful say in the process.

Thank you,

[Rosetta J. Craig